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Applicants:

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CAPILLARY ARRAY-BASED SAMPLE SCREENING

Box Non Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination in the above listed application, entry of the following amendments are respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on June 12, 2002, in an envelope addressed to: Box Non Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

Karen LePari